

A WORK SESSION WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:03 P.M. BY MAYOR MARCHESE FOR THE PURPOSE OF REVIEWING ITEMS ON THE OCTOBER 21, 2019 AGENDA WITH THE CITY COUNCIL. THE WORK SESSION ADJOURNED AT 7:28 P.M.

Minutes of the Regular Meeting

of the City Council of the

CITY OF DARIEN

October 21, 2019

7:30 P.M.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Darien was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by Mayor Marchese.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Marchese led the Council and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. **ROLL CALL** — The Roll Call of Aldermen by Clerk Ragona was as follows:

Present:	Thomas J. Belczak	Joseph A. Kenny
	Thomas M. Chlystek	Mary Coyle Sullivan
	Eric K. Gustafson	Lester Vaughan

Absent: Ted V. Schauer

Also in Attendance: Joseph Marchese, Mayor
JoAnne E. Ragona, City Clerk
Michael J. Coren, City Treasurer
Bryon D. Vana, City Administrator
Gregory Thomas, Police Chief
Daniel Gombac, Director of Municipal Services

4. **DECLARATION OF A QUORUM** — There being six aldermen present, Mayor Marchese declared a quorum.

5. **QUESTIONS, COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS – GENERAL**

There were none.

6. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – October 7, 2019

It was moved by Alderman Kenny and seconded by Alderman Belczak to approve the minutes of the City Council Meeting of October 7, 2019.

Roll Call:	Ayes:	Belczak, Chlystek, Gustafson, Kenny, Sullivan, Vaughan
	Nays:	None
	Absent:	Schauer

Results: Ayes 6, Nays 0, Absent 1

MOTION DULY CARRIED

7. **RECEIVING OF COMMUNICATIONS**

Alderman Chlystek...

...received communication from Ken Petrowski, President Condominium Association, 7500 block of Sussex Creek Court, regarding tree in need of replacement. Director Gombac will inspect.

...received communication from Maureen Magnifico, 7400 block of Brookdale, regarding Condominium Association concerns; he thanked Director Gombac for responding.

...thanked Julie Smith, Scott & Betty Allister, and Gerry Leganski for their contributions in making Ward 4 Octoberfest Block Party a success.

Alderman Kenny received communication from Margaret Wohler, High Road, regarding white tags along High Road. He will forward resident contact information.

8. **MAYOR’S REPORT**

A. RECOGNITION OF STUDENTS: FAASD SCHOLARS

- **CHELSEA BIALA – HINSDALE CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL**
- **JAYDEN ARQUINES – HINSDALE SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL**

Mayor Marchese recognized Jayden Arquines on his Scholarship Award; he reviewed Jayden’s biography, accomplishments and aspirations. Mayor Marchese presented Jayden with a City pin.

Jayden thanked Mr. Ferrara, Filipino American Association of South DuPage, for the nomination and award, City of Darien for the invitation, and his parents for their support.

Mayor Marchese congratulated Chelsea Biala on her Scholarship Award and outstanding resume; she was unable to attend the meeting.

B. HEART OF DARIEN AWARD – ARLETA PEKNIK

Mayor Marchese awarded the “Heart of Darien Award” to Arleta Peknik. He stated he chose Arleta because of the volunteer work she does through Our Lady of Peace Bereavement Program, where she has provided comfort over the last 14 years to more than 80 families; Our Lady of Peace Church greeter, lector, and Eucharist minister; member of NODA (No One Dies Alone) Program through LaGrange and Hinsdale Hospitals, where she provides compassionate care for terminally ill patients; and member of the City of Darien Environmental Committee.

He thanked Ms. Peknik for comforting the ill, for always having a smile on her face, and for encouraging all those she comes in contact with in our community.

Ms. Peknik thanked the City for this honor, which she felt was a bonus. She stated all her good deeds play forward and will come back to her; she was humbled and gratified.

C. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE THE REAPPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE HOLIDAY HOME DECORATING COMMITTEE: ELIZABETH HAYES, JIM KISER, AND GERRY LEGANSKI

It was moved by Alderman Vaughan and seconded by Alderman Belczak to approve the motion as presented.

Roll Call: Ayes: Belczak, Chlystek, Gustafson, Kenny, Sullivan, Vaughan

Nays: None

Absent: Schauer

Results: Ayes 6, Nays 0, Absent 1
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B. MONTHLY REPORT – AUGUST 2019

Treasurer Coren reviewed year-to-date sources of revenue, expenditures, and fund balances through the month of September 2019.

<u>General Fund:</u>	Revenue \$8,108,309; Expenditures \$5,548,267 Current Balance \$4,174,291
<u>Water Fund:</u>	Revenue \$3,663,386; Expenditures \$2,362,783; Current Balance \$2,937,848
<u>Motor Fuel Tax Fund:</u>	Revenue \$261,880; Expenditures \$186,440; Current Balance \$423,782
<u>Water Depreciation Fund:</u>	Revenue \$9,013 Expenditures \$53,171; Current Balance \$2,517,402
<u>Capital Improvement Fund:</u>	Revenue \$259,933; Expenditures \$3,502,966; Current Balance \$4,994,222

13. **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Administrative/Finance Committee – Chairwoman Sullivan announced the next meeting of the Administrative/Finance Committee is scheduled for November 4, 2019 at 6:00 P.M. in the City Hall Conference Room. She commented the next Economic Development Committee Meeting will be held on November 20, 2019 at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers.

Municipal Services Committee – Chairman Belczak announced the next meeting of the Municipal Services Committee is scheduled for October 28, 2019 at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers.

Police Committee – Chairman Kenny announced the next meeting of the Police Committee is scheduled for November 18, 2019 at 6:00 P.M. in the Police Department Training Room.

14. **QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS – AGENDA RELATED**

There were none.

15. **OLD BUSINESS**

There was no Old Business.

16. **CONSENT AGENDA**

It was moved by Alderwoman Sullivan and seconded by Alderman Vaughan to approve by Omnibus Vote the following items on the Consent Agenda:

A. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION GRANTING A WAIVER OF THE RAFFLE BOND REQUIREMENT FOR THE HINSDALE SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL MUSIC BOOSTER ASSOCIATION

B. RESOLUTION NO. R-97-19 A RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACT EXTENSION, YEAR 2, WITH CLEAN SLATE, INC. TO PROVIDE JANITORIAL SERVICES FOR THE CITY OF DARIEN BEGINNING NOVEMBER 1, 2019

C. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE A TRANSFER FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$800,000

D. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE THE TAX LEVY DETERMINATION FOR GENERAL AND SPECIAL PURPOSES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020

Roll Call: Ayes: Belczak, Chlystek, Gustafson, Kenny, Sullivan, Vaughan

Nays: None

Absent: Schauer

Results: Ayes 6, Nays 0, Absent 1

MOTION DULY CARRIED

17. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. CONSIDERATION OF A MOTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION OF THE URGING THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO ENACT PUBLIC SAFETY PENSION FUND CONSOLIDATION

It was moved by Alderman Belczak and seconded by Alderman Kenny to approve the motion as presented.

Mayor Marchese provided the background information and history regarding fund consolidation. Treasurer Coren explained the benefits of consolidation. Mayor Marchese addressed Council question.

Roll Call: Ayes: Belczak, Chlystek, Gustafson, Kenny, Sullivan, Vaughan

Nays: None

Absent: Schauer

Results: Ayes 6, Nays 0, Absent 1

MOTION DULY CARRIED

18. **QUESTIONS, COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS – GENERAL**

Alderman Gustafson stated a vehicle was recently burglarized in Ward 6; he encouraged all residents to lock their car doors and not leave valuables in sight.

Alderman Chlystek...

...inquired if the Economic Development Committee could add need for charging stations for vehicles to their survey.

...announced Nothing Bundt Cakes fundraiser for Hinsdale South High School Music Boosters on October 21, 2019.

Mayor Marchese announced...

...Sylvia McIvor will attend Metropolitan Mayors Caucus in November regarding electric vehicles for municipalities.

...Dancing with the Chamber Starz will be held on Saturday, October 26 at Ashton Place.

... Goal Setting Session will be held on October 29 in the Police Department Training Room.

Alderswoman Sullivan...

...announced Hinsdale South High School fall musical, "Fiddler on the Roof," will be held November 1 – 3 in the school auditorium; she encouraged all to attend.

...announced Hinsdale South High School will host Art & Craft Fair on November 2 in the Cafeteria.

...commented the City Hall Lobby looks great.

...inquired regarding the next steps for sale of Cannabis in Darien. Mayor Marchese and Director Gombac responded. Council discussion ensued and questions were addressed.

Mitchell Crane thanked Council for doing so much good for the City of Darien.

19. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the City Council, it was moved by Alderman Vaughan and seconded by Alderman Kenny to adjourn the City Council meeting.

VIA VOICE VOTE – MOTION DULY CARRIED

The City Council meeting adjourned at 8:30 P.M.

Mayor

City Clerk

All supporting documentation and report originals of these minutes are on file in the Office of the City Clerk under File Number 10-21-19. Minutes of 10-21-19 CCM.